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## EDWARD VII OPENS PARLIAMENT AMID A GLITTERING DISPLAY.

Cheers Greet King and Queen as They Ride in State Coach.

### SPEECH FROM THE THRONE.

English Menarch Looks for Farly End of South African War.

SCENE IN HOUSE OF LORDS.

Pageantry More Marked Than or Last Occasion - Peers in Scarlet and Peeresses in Court Costumes blage-Boer Conflict Brought Up.

LONDON, Jan. 19.-There was great in terest in the opening of Parliament today The first member arrived at the House of ns, while Big Ben was still tolling the hour of midnight. Five minutes afterward three more members arrived.

American Embassy Decorated. Crowds poured into the city all morning and by 11 o'clock the Mall and Parliament Street were thickly lined with people anxious to see the procession of the King to Westminster. The route laid out was not suitable for any elaborate decorations. The house of Mr. Choate, the American Ambassador, was noticeably beflagged. Before Parliament assembled the Beefcaters made the usual search of the

The royal procession in state left Buckingham Palace for the houses of Parliament at 1:50 p. m. It was headed by a detachment of mounted Light Guards. The royal party drove in four carriages King Edward and Queen Alexandra occupied the magnificent state coach.

An immense crowd filled every available position along the route, and cheered their Majestics enthusiastically. The proces sion arrived at the royal entrance to the House of Lords at 2:05 o'clock

### King Edward's Speech.

King Edward VII. delivered personally the speech from the throne. He said: "My Lords and Gentlemen: Since the last session I have had the happiness to welcome the Prince and Princess of Wales from a lengthened voyage to various parts of my Empire. They every-where received demonstrations of the liveliest affection. I am convinced that their presence served to rivet more close ly the bonds of mutual regard and loy-alty by which the vigor of the Empire is "My relations with other Powers con-

tinue to be of a friendly character. Regrets That War Continues.

I regret that the war in South Africa is not yet concluded, though the course of operations has been favorable to our arms and the area of war has been largely/reduced. Industries are being resumed in my new colonies. Despite the tedious character of the campaign, my soldiers throughout displayed cheerful-ness in the endurance of the bardships incident to guerrilla warfare and human-ity, even to their own detriment, in their treatment of the enemy, which is deserv-

Ing of the highest praise.
"The necessity of relieving those who have most felt the strain of the war has afforded me the opportunity of again availing myself of offers from my colonies. Further contingents will shortly reach South Africa from Canada, Aus-tralia, and New Zealand.

### Would Abandon Sugar Bounty,

"I trust that the international conference on sugar bounties may lead to the abandonment of a system by which my sugar producing colonies have been unfairly weighted.

I have concluded with the President of the United States a treaty, the provisions which will facilitate the construction that it will be open to the commerce and

shipping of all nations.
"I have concluded a treaty with the President of Brazil referring to arbitration the questions of the Guinna and Brazff boundaries. I have much pleasure in stating that the King of Italy has con-sented to undertake the arbitration.

Relief for India. "The rainfall in my Indian Empire has

continuance of relief measures, although less extensively than in the past year,

will be necessary. "The death of Abdur Rahman has been followed by the succession of his son and appointed heir. Habib Ullah, who has expressed an earnest desire to maintain friendly relations between Afghanistan and my Indian Empire."

The King's speech concluded by giving the legislative programme of the coming session. It includes bills dealing with education, with the water supply of Lon-don, and with land purchases in Irc-land,

The scene in the House of Lords today was even more brilliant than last year. when King Edward delivered his first speech from the throne. The absence of pourning brightened the view. On each side of the throne were two benches al-lotted to peers, who were clad in their scarlet robes with ermine collars. Behind them were the seats of the peer-

esses, wearing court costumes mostly of white or light colored silk. Most of the members of the diplomatic corps, the judges of the high court and the bench Add to Brilliancy of the Assem- of Bishops were in attendance, wearing

### Robes of King and Queen.

The King escorted Queen Alexandra to r seat on the throne upon his left. His Majesty then read his speech in clear, dis-tinct tones. Beneath his royal robes the King wore the uniform of a field marshal. Queen Alexandra wore a magnificent black gown and the royal diamonds. The broad blue ribbon of the Garter was across her breast. Her robe was of minerva and crimson velvet. On her head was the diamond crown. Her Majesty's black-gloved hand rested on the King's left hand. Her three ladies in waiting were dressed entirely in black, with black yells, surmounted by diamond tlaras.

### Return From Westminster.

At the conclusion of the reading of the seech, the royal procession formed again and left the House of Lords. As they rode back in the state coach, the King and Queen were heartily cheered by the crowds. Both their Majesties bowed and smiled repeatedly, evidently pleased with vaults of both houses for a modern Guy the warmth of their reception.

### Debute in Commons,

The House of Commons debated the mon for an address of thanks in reply to the King's speech. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, declared that the most urgent question was the possibility of peace in South Africa.

He believed in establishing British miliary superiority, but not in a policy of subjugation. Honorable members behind im, he said, believed that a settlement should be made by the assent of those living in South Africa, and not by force.

In House of Lords. In the House of Lords today the Earl of Lytton seconded the motion, and in his speech congratulated the Government on that the voters of the party will vote the more than friendly relations with the United States and the South American Republies. Lord Lytten congratulated the Government on the conclusion of the treaty with the United States for an in-

canie caral. Earl Spencer, the acting Liberal leader a the House of Lords, deprecated a olley of unconditional surrender, and usked the Government to explain its intentions in the matter of ending the Boer

The Marquis of Salisbury, Prime Minster, said it was impossible to say what would be done in the future, for they could not tell what was yet to happen. He asked whether having defeated the enemy in the field they were to say on what terms they would grant peace without first being asked. "When the Boers sue for peace," he deslared, "we will tell them, but until they do so the less we say about peace terms the better."

### BOERS TO ASK TERMS.

### Republics' Committee Decides to Ap-

proach English Authorities. BRUSSELS, Jan. 16.-A Rotterdam cor respondent telegraphs that the executive ommittee of the South African Republies held a meeting at The Hague on Tuesday. He is informed on high authority that after hearing a report from one of ond Street, went on the witness stand at the leading members of the committee who had been in communication with Mr. Ecuger the previous day, it was unantmously decided to approach England with a view to arranging terms of peace. A member of the committee said that if

the demand for unconditional surrender was withdrawn there would certainly be peace before the end of the month. It was stated that Dr. De Kuyper, the Dutch Fremier, had just returned from London whither be had gone to sound the Brit-ish authorities as to the probable results

of a direct approach by the committee on lines that were indicated. He was assured on high authority that

### the most careful consideration would b been less abundant than was desired. The given to any proposal that might be made

Included Trip of His Wife in His Budget-

his examination of ex-Director Rathbone. Charging of Expenses. Regarding the expenses of two trips of

cluded in some of the postal accounts turned in by Rathbone. The latter claimed that these expenses were puid by himself; that an itemized

private account was kept by Secretary Wilmot, and the bills were subsequently settled by the witness out of his own

### Expenses in Washington.

The fiscal produced an account amounting to \$236 for expenses for eight days at a hetel in Washington for Rathbone alone, in which \$63 was charged for meals.

contradictory, Rathbone maintained that be returned to Reeves the amount of the draft, which was originally drawn to pa the expenses of a trip to Santiago.

The latter said he considered it right to charge certain private expenses and the repairs of his house to the postal accounts. General Ludlow and General Brooke had allowed such expenses, the latter to the extent of \$7,500. Rathbone frequently said, in response o questions, that he could not remem-

## Heavy Witness Fees.

Two of the witnesses in the case have returned to the United States, owing to pressing business. It is understood that one of them charged \$42 a day expenses

### HAD STORM AND EARTHQUAKE.

### Violent Burrleane in Europe-Dam age at Vienna Severe.

VIENNA, Jan. 16 .- A hurricane, the vioence of which has not been equaled in many years, struck this city, and district today. There were more than 100 accidents requiring the use of ambulances. Many persons had limbs broken, and

wo were fatally injured. In the outskirts, a freight train was

blown over. In Budapest there was a heavy gale, accompanied with snow. Wreckage that had blown on the track derailed an express train running from Prague to Eger. There were earthquakes yesterday and oday at Agram, capital of Crotia, and Slavonia COPENHAGEN, Jan. 16,-Denmark Is

eing storm swept. Neither the English nor German mails that were due today have yet arrived. The bark Arab has foundered in the

## BRYAN REBUKES

PERRY BELMONT.

SIGNIFICANCE SEEN IN DEFEAT.

Declares It Was Merited-Voters Will Not Support Republicans Masquerading as Democrats.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 16. - Mr. Bryan vens up old scores with Perry Belmon in tomorrow's "Commoner." Incidentally he serves notice upon the Gold Democrats that his followers will not support them for national offices until they have shown their repentance, and proved it by work as privates. He says the defeat Belmont in a strong Democratic district ought to show the East

### ern Democrats the felly of nominating for national positions men who are known to antagoaize Democratic principles. Aided Republican Party.

"In 1896 Mr. Belmont was a conspicuou upporter of the Palmer-Buckner movement, which was organized in the interest of the Republican ticket. In 1900 he was one of those who gave nominal allegiance to the Democratic party, not with any desire to advance Democratio principles, but for the purpose of betrayng the party again into the hands of the enemy.

Disrespect to Voters. "That he should ask for the honor of a seat in Congress, where he could mis-

represent the Democracy of his State, shows how little respect he has for the Harrowby moved the address in reply to interest of his would-be constituents. His the speech from the throne. The Earl of defeat was well merited, and ought to serve as a lessons to those who assume for anyone who may happen to be nominated, even though he be a Republican masquereding as a Democrat.

"Mr. Belmont has given no evidence of change of heart since 1896, and until he does he ought not to expect the confidence of those who were loval then.

### Must Go Into Ranks,

"When he does undergo a change of heart he will be so ashamed of his past induct that he will be content with the he can prove his repentance by his work."

HAD NOT TAKEN

Central Wreck Occurred on

Wisker's First Passage

Over the Underground

Portion of Road.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 .- Joseph H. Frank-

lin, manager of the Grand Central Sta-

tion and track manager of the Harlem

Railroad from Mott Haven to Forty-sec-

the coroner's inquest into the Park Ave-

nue tunnel disaster this afternoon and

admitted that, although constant com-

plaints of their inability to see signal

lights on stormy and fogry days had been

made to him by engineers of all three

railroads running through the tunnel.

nothing had ever been done about the

MR. CLEVELAND GOES OUT.

Princeton Avenues.

Cleveland is able to be out of door; again,

He has been confined to the house since

the latter part of November, when he

was taken down with an attack of pneu-

This afternoon the ex-President, with

Mrs. Cleveland, took a drive through the

avenues in the town and out along the

Mr. Cleveland shows the effects of his

severe illness. He has lost some in

weight and his hair appears to be whiter

He is still obliged to use a cane, but

is gaining strength fast and will prob-

ably start South some time within the

METEOR CAUSES EXCITEMENT.

Nebraskans and Kansans Upset by

Natural Phenomenon.

BEAVER CITY, Neb. Jan. 16.-Parts

of two States were thrown into commo-

tion last night by the appearance of a

brilliant meteor. The phenomenon caused

an illumination of the sky at this place

The meteor crossed the heavens in a

southwesterly direction. When it struck

the earth there was a report like a peal

of thunder. Many persons who were in

their homes or business places and did

not see its passage thought the concus-

Railroad men on trains from the West

sion to be a slighht carthquake shock.

for many seconds.

turnpike leading south to Trenton.

than it was before he was sick.

PRINCETON, N. J., Jan. 16.-Grover

to Take a Drive Through

matter.

## EARTHQUAKE AT MEXICO.

Shocks Interrupt the Pan-American Conference.

CHILE IS STILL A FILIBUSTER.

Contradictory Stand of That Counvention Project Desire Statements Attached to Document.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 15.-At the morning session of the Pan-American Congress, the discussion was resumed of the chair's ruling regarding reference of The Hague convention project to the secra-

Senor Carbo, of Ecuador, supported the notion of Chile accepting The Hague project, provided it be submitted to a vote of the conference. Joaquin Walker Martinez, of Chile, admitted that the Chileans were not opposed to the chair's

support the Chilean proposition, whereas the chair's ruling was the only question before the conference.

### Mr. Buchanan Explains

Mr. Buchanan explained the contradicory positions taken by the Chileans. He said they objected, first, because the project was made outside the conference; second, because it was in conference and should be subject to the rules of the conference; third, because they wanted it

iscussion on arbitration, several delegates making long speeches. Senor Ma-cedo again defended the chair's ruling. Senor Bello made a long argument reiterating Chile's position.

### Requests by Signers.

Mr. Buchanan made two requests in the ame of the signers of The Hague project first, that a statement be attached to the document itself, showing that nothing therein was intended to have application of any character to any delegation which had not signed it, and, second, that masmuch as the signature of one delegation had been challenged, the other aigners desired to have attached to the docu ment certified copies of any telegrams from the Venezuelan Government relative to the withdrawal of that de tion.

Earthquake Causes Currusion. Senor Alzamora had beren to talk Several delegates ejaculated: "Earth-

force, and there was some confusion in the hall, which President Raigosa attempted to check.

windows facing the public square, call-

TRAIN THROUGH

since 1852, and when District Attorney Jerome asked him why nothing had ever

Mr. Jerome conducted a severe exam-ination of Mr. Franklin, and drew from

## The heavy chandeliers in the conference

Track Manager Gives Sensabeen done to remedy an evil which was a genuine menace to human life, he replied that he had no explanation to offer. tional Testimony-Jerome Threatens to Withdraw From the Case.

### the witness a series of admissions which appeared to form in themselves a rather harsh arraignment of New York Central management. First Trip Through Tunnel.

There was a sensation in the little courtroom when Mr. Franklin calmly announced that the Harlem train which crashed into the rear of the New Haven train and killed seventeen of the passengers of the latter was the first that Engineer Wisker had ever taken through

Mr. Franklin was the only one of all the score of witnesses examined by Cor-oner Scholer at this first day of the in-quest who gave any testimony that was new. He was also the first and only witness called during the day whose examination Mr. Jerome took exclusively to had come to him in one form or another himself.

encounter in seeing signals in the tunnel He asked permission to put a few ques-tions himself, but Mr. Jerome said that if permission were granted he would withdraw from the case. Mr. Moss persisted, and Coroner Scholer

refused to settle the matter then and there. He will decide it tomorrow.

Incidental to this controversy the district atterney announced that the habit of coroner's juries exceeding their func-

### SUBPOENAS SERVED ON HILL AND MELLEN.

IN AN OLD

Case Instituted to Prevent Retire. ment of Northern Pacific Preferred Stock-A First

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 16. - Subpoenas have been served on President J. J. Hill, of the Northern Securities Company, and C. S. Mellen, president of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, commandia them to appear before Special Examine Maybey, for the Federal Court in Minne

### apolis, January 25. An Old Action.

It appears that the original action of Peter Power to prevent the retirement of the preferred stock of the Northern Pacliic has not been dropped, though injunction was denied, and the stock has already been retired in fact. George A. Lamb, personal attorney for Power, had a conference with Judge Lan-

caster, but both refused to talk about it. They went before Judge Lochren and obtained an order appointing Maybey spe cial examiner. Yesterday Mr. Lamb departed as quietly as he had come, leaving matters in charge of the assistant counsel, but it was stated he would return for the hear-

ing on the date mentioned. Acting in Concert. It is said that Power is acting in conreport that the meteor struck the earth near Atwood, Kans., and that the residents in that vicinity were panic-stricken gan merger, the first step being to get

I testimony on which to base an action.

### EMPEROR PRAYS AND FASTS.

### Chinese Sovereign Performs Ancient Annual Rife.

PEKING, Jan. 16.-The Manchurian ne gotiations have reached a more favorable stage. It is stated on high authority that both China and Russia have made concanions, but the final settlement is still involved in difficulties. China's fear is of offending the other Powers if she concedes too much to Russia.

yearly ceremony of fasting and praying for the whole nation in the Temple of Heaven last night, returning to the palace at sunrise. A Japanese guard was shot and killed last night by an Austrian soldier.

## FRANCE TO VENEZUELA.

### Insisted Upon. PARIS, Jan. 16.-The Government this

morning instructed the French Consul to insist that M. Secrestat, jr., who arrived recently at La Guayra, on the French line steamship St. Laurent, from Bordeaux, be allowed to land.

### CHILEAN STEAMER SEIZED.

Colombian Government to Use Ves. sel as Gunbont. \*COLON, Jan. 16.-The Government has

Three large cannon were sent today to

## rooms swung back and forth, and the fountains in the plaza were agitated by the shocks, which continued about a min-KAISER'S YACHT IN GERMAN.

### FIGHT WITH ORE THIEVES.

### Encounter in Deep Workings of In-

dependence Mine. VICTOR, Colo., Jan. 16 .- A desperate fight 400 feet under ground between ore thieves and officers and trusted employed occurred in the Independence Mine, or Battle Mountain, this morning. Between fifty and seventy-five shots were exchanged between the opposing parties Lee Glockner, a member of the company's force, was shot twice, but not seriously injured.

continued filibustering until the session The fight was most determined, but the pirates finally gained the upper hand and forced the company men to retreat Former Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia, chairman of the United States delegation to the Pan-American toward the big shaft, giving the thieves an opportunity to escape. The management of Stratton's Independence Comterday from the City of Mexico, and had a conference with Secretary Hay about the condition of affairs in the conferpany, of London, England, which owns the Independence Mine, has been aware for a long time that rich deposits of syl-vanite in the mine were being systemat-Mr. Davis expressed the belief that the matter would be settled sat-

Ically robbed, the stealings amounting to thousands of dollars a month. Detectives were employed, and it is said the thieves were detected in the act of looting a rich seam of ore. They escaped through the underground workings connected with an adjoining property.

## MAY SECURE SUBWAY LINES.

### Street this afternoon, the centre span of Central Thought to Plan little details of international courtesy Important Move.

### MEANING OF THE BOND ISSUE.

Rumors Circulated in New York Fl-Manhattan Elevated.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16 .- Many persons, specially financiers and railread men, have expressed curiosity regarding the proposed disposition of the proceeds of the \$35,000,000 of new stock for the issuance of which the New York Central directors ask authority from the stockside broke out the window lights and holders. The total proceeds of such an vehicle. Two of the horses that fell in

issue marketed at 125 a share, as is pro-posed, would amount to \$43,750,600. The plans for the reconstruction of the Porty-second Street terminal and the re-equipment of the Park Avenue tunnel, as outlined by President Newman, would not,

## several hours before the others could be it is believed, require one-quarter of this

Mr. Depew's Statement. Senator Depew, who is chairman of the New York Central directorate, was in-

plan we have adopted. This plan I speak
of in which we are to expend 15 per cent
of the increased capitalization in the
double tunnel system, operated by elecheld at that time very assurance of success. February 27 is a date impossible
on account of the fact that the McKinley
memorial exercises by Congress will be
held at that time. tricity.

### What the Figures Show.

Fifteen per cent of \$40.750,000 is \$6.562 -200. Wall Street men expressed surprise its avowed necessities required in these times of unprecedented railroad prosper-ity. Some people thought that the New York Central would lease, equip and operate the subway rapid transit system, con-

### necting the underground road with its own suburban lines.

May Buy Manhattan. Another story was that a large part of the proceeds of the new stock issue would be used to pay for sufficient Manhattan Rallway stock to give the Vanderbilts, with what they may already own, control privilege of issuing invitations to the of the elevated railroads. Recent stock launching is always a prerogative poserchange transactions have strengthened asseed by the builder of a vessel. a widely held belief that Vanderbilt in-terests have been gradually accumulating Manhattan stock.

The suggestion that the New York Central is likely to take control of the Rapid Transit subway was discussed with much seriousness by men who are thoroughly familiar with the plans and the progress of the underground railroad project.

## Cost of Equipment.

to \$30,000,000 would be required to equip-

the completed subway ged to make such connections as would be desirable, should the New York Central undertake the United States ever received such a recepoperation of the underground system. The Subway Construction Company, of which August Belmont is the head, has contracted to build and operate the un-derground railroad, but this company could either contract with the New York Central for the operation of the road or played recently by Kniser Wilhelm tothe Vanderbilts could, no doubt, acquire enough of the stock to control the com-

## Courtesy in Keeping With the Interchange of Amenities.

### DATE OF LAUNCH NOT SET.

Builder of the Meteor Here in Conference With Officers.

### PRINCE TO STAY AT EMBASSY.

Rear Admiral Evans Consults Over Details of Welcome by Warships-Visitor Will First Set Foot on American Soil at New York-Other Parts of Programme Unsettled.

"Ich taufe dich Meteor" may be the words uttered by Miss Alice Roosevelt when she breaks a bottle of champagne against the prow of the Kaiser's new yacht as the vessel slides toward the water at Staten Island, N. Y., next month. The royal craft may be named in German, for "Ich taufe dich Meteor" means, translated, "I christen thee Meteor."

which has been evident ever since Kalser Wilhelm extended the invitation for Miss Roosevelt to name his American-built

### A Probable Course.

It was in English that the German Emperor notified President Roosevelt that Prince Henry would visit this country to represent his Majesty at the Lunching. and it was in German that President nancial Circles Meet Serious Re- Roosevelt sent his answer. Now it seems ception by Men in Position to altogether likely that Miss Roosevelt will know-Vanderbilt Interests and speak in German when the royal craft, bedecked with the flags of the two na-

tions, begins to slip with increasing speed along the ways.

The bottle of champagne which will burst into glorious spray when it crashes against the iron-sheathed prow will be tied with the national colors of the two countries. It is now being decorated at Tiffany's in New York, but the design of the ornamentation is being kept a pro-found secret. It will be rich in its detail and emblematic of the friendship of the

### Governments so vitally interested. Mr. Downey In City.

Wallace Downey, of the firm of Townsend & Downey, which has the Meteor under construction, arrived in Washington last night, and will confer with the President Secretary Hay, and the German Ambassador in regard to the date of the launching. He will probably see Presi-

dent Rocaevelt this morning.

Mr. Downey, who is one of the most successful shipbuilders in the East, has three dates in mind. They are the 25th. repairs, and it was not until this morning that it was opened for traffic.

The city engineer examined it this morning and said it would last for ten years. Three hours later the centre span went down.

The city engineer examined it this feet a plan without experimenting, and of the increase of \$55,000,000 it is intended that only 15 per cent shall be used for the purpose of experimenting with the went down.

Prince Henry will arrive in New York on February 22, so that any of the dates named will be plenty early enough to asue seven times as much new stock as not well take place at any earlier date. suit his convenience. The launching cannot well take place at any earlier date, because it can be accomplished with safety only at high tide. At any time prior to February 25 high tide will occur before 10.30 a. m., an hour too early for the ceremony, especially in February, when the morning mists are long in rising from New York Eay.

Mr. Downey is anxious that the pro-

gramme for Prince Henry's reception, at least so for an the launching is concerned, be arranged as soon as possible, in order that he may be able to order and issue the invitations to the ceremony.

### Interest in High Circles. That diplomatic and official Washington

dearly loves a noble title is evident from the great interest taken here in the forthcoming visit of Prince Henry. As much of a flutter as ever pervades the easy tenor of life in these two portions of the population is observable every day.

The most punctilious observer of the It is estimated that from \$25.000.000 customs of courts cannot fail to be satisfied with the character of the reception

No royal visitor to the shores of the tion as will the brother of the German

To Land at New York. The Administration is evidently determined that the marked cordiality disward this country shall be reciprocated

## LAWYERS PERSUADE MISS PORTIA KNIGHT TO ACCEPT MANCHESTER'S COMPROMISE.

Celebrated Suit Settled Out of Court Upon Payment by the Duke of \$15,000 and \$3,500 Costs-Action Hinged on Verbal Promises.

LONDON, Jan. 16.- The action of Miss | ster flat, the result of a fall in the Hotel Portia Knight against the Duke of Manchester for breach of promise of marriage has been settled for \$15,000, exclusive of \$3,500 costs. Miss Knight objected to a

settlement, preferring revenge. Duke's Finances Considered. Her solicitors, however, considering the Duke's bankrupt condition, persuaded her

The witnesses included a hotel keeper and a doctor. The Duke met Miss Knight him was that he had married Miss Zimsoon after her arrival in London, and

The Duke Inslitted upon nursing her. He proved not and assistmous. His nursing resulted in mutual affection, and the first promise of marriage was made. After her recovery Miss Knight entered a convent connected with the Brampton Ora-

tylor on the tant of the Duke beyond

## FISCAL MAKES ENQUIRIES REGARDING EXPENSE BILLS CHARGED BY RATHBONE. Trying to Prove That the Ex-Director of the Cuban Posts

Alleged Repayment of Draft. HAVANA, Jan. 16 .- In the trial of the | with Reeves, their respective testimony posteffice cases today, the fiscal concluded regarding a certain draft for \$500 being

Rathbone admitted that his wife was with him at the hotel, but said he had

Regarding the expenses of two trips of
Rathbone to the United States in 1899,
the fiscal tried to show that the expenses
of Mrs. Rathbone and the family were in-Rathbon Considered It Proper.

not charged her expenses to the postal while here. There are about twenty account. Rathbone was again confronted witnesses here from the United States.

try's Delegates-Explained by Mr. Buchanan-Signers of Hague Con-

Wanted General Vote. THE CENTRE SPAN OF

President Raigosa declared the debate out of order, because it was aimed to

brought into conference. The afternoon session continued the

when the building began to tremble as if great weights were falling on the floor The shocks continued with increasing

Senor Alzamora, who endeavered to continue speaking, was unable to hold the delegates, who began talking and walking about the room. Several went to the

# TUNNEL BEFORE.

It was several minutes before the ses-sien was resumed. Senor Alzamora then finished his speech, explaining that though two projects had been signed it had been understood that because one

delegation was opposed to a discussion of

arbitration there was to be no debate

on that subject.

He would merely say that the major-

ity who signed the obligatory projec

would be glad to enter on a general dis-cussion of the subject.

Senor Raigosa referred to the fact that

the discussion was continued only through the chair's courtesy and called

attention to its wide range. He said that Senor Martinez had

spoken twelve times and intimated that he thought it was time to vote.

Tactics Kept Up.

Conference, returned to Washington yes

Car and Wagon Plunge Into River-

Four Men Injured and Others

Narrowly Escape.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 16.-While

street car, loaded with employes, and

four two-horse gravel wagons, going in an

opposite direction, were crossing the iron

bridge over White River on Washington

the structure suddenly gave way, and the

ear, with eight employes and the motor-

man, and the wagons, teams, and drivers

fell in one confused mass into the river,

Had Narrow Escape.

John Hugler, owner of the wagons, was

riding a bicycle just behind the last wagor

and barely saved himself from plunging

headlong into the river on top of the

When the accident happened there was

the greatest excitement. For fully ten

minutes the frightened and plunging

horses and the men imprisoned in the car

The drivers on the wagons had the ad-

vantage in their chances for escape and

they hung on to the twisted iron that ex-

tended from the abutment to the bed of

The car fell in about five feet of water

and toppled over on its side. The men in-

crawled out to a position of safety on the

the deeper water did not come to the sur-

face. Two others were so badly erippled

Bridge Declared Safe.

Four of the employes were injured, but

not seriously. The bridge was pronounced

that they had to be killed, and it was

thirty feet below.

fought for their lives.

rescued from the debris.

wagons.

the river.

A BRIDGE GIVES WAY.

In spite of this, however, the Chileans

## The district attorney resented any at-tempt to examine Franklin by anybody else. Frank Moss, counsel for Engineer Wisker, thought that Mr. Jerome had not usked as many questions as were neces-sary to show the difficulty that engineers

## The Emperor performed the ancient Step.

Landing of M. Secrestat at Caracas

### seized and is arming the Chilean steamer Lautardo. The steamer Chuculto has been purchased from the Steam Navigation Company,

Panama from the gunboat General Pinzon The Pinzon has gone to Nombre de Dios and Cocle to bring troops to Colon. Knight's serious illness in her Westmin- his breaking his word.

The Duke followed and urged her to to settle the case out of court. It is leave, under promise of marriage, and stated that the case hinges on verbal engaged rooms for her at the St. Emmins Hotel as his fiancce. He then went to Paris, and the next thing the heard about

There is no instanation of any misbe-